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Edwin L. Bierman, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Bierman:

As long-time attendees of the Deuel (I think we have sent a representative every year since 1976) we were pleased to continue assisting in the support of this fine conference; we have made first contact with a number of our finest grantees at these events.

Because we now have been "discovered", and even though our support increases each year, our application pool has increased much more rapidly, so our funding success rate is now about 7%. All this is to say that we have had to significantly curtail our discretionary (read conference support) funding, and we were only able to give \$1,500 to the Deuel this year instead of the attendance requested \$2,000. Since we are not a Merck/Glaxo/DuPont/. . . and cannot derive even indirect commercial benefit from attendance, I hope that you might intercede on our behalf with the Treasurer to allow a representative from this organization to attend even if at the reduced rate.

Over the years, the Deuel has been consistently one of the best sources for us to identify both new research horizons and also bright young investigators working in cardiovascular disease. I very much hope you will be able to arrange for us to maintain this marvelous access route to potential grantees.

Sincerely,

Harmon C. McAllister

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